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HOUSTON AREA RADIOLOGIST INDICTED ON TAX CHARGES

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton and the Department of Justice announced today that Charles Thomas Clayton, MD, of The Woodlands, Texas, was arrested yesterday on tax charges. On April 4, 2006, a federal grand jury in Austin, Texas, indicted Dr. Clayton on two counts of making and subscribing to a false return and six counts of willful failure to file federal income tax returns.

Charles Thomas Clayton, is a radiologist living outside Houston, Texas. As set forth in the indictment, Dr. Clayton made and subscribed to false amended tax returns for the calendar years 1997 and 1998, claiming a refund of over \$160,000 for those years. In addition, Dr. Clayton failed to file timely federal personal income tax returns for calendar years 1999-2004, despite receiving over \$1.5 million in gross income during those years. If convicted of these charges, Dr. Clayton faces up to three years imprisonment on each count of subscribing to false returns and up to 12 months on each count of willful failure to file tax returns.

This case is being investigation by special agents with the Houston field office of the Internal Revenue Service- Criminal Investigation Division and is being prosecuted for the government by Sean Noud and Jen Ihlo from the U.S. Department of Justice Tax Division.

An indictment is a formal accusation of criminal conduct, not evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until convicted through due process of law.

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